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A BILL

- 1 FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Liquor Control Act; to amend 2 section 53-1,104, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1999; to 3 change provisions relating to violations by the licensee; to provide penalties; to provide duties; to harmonize 5 provisions; and to repeal the original section.
- Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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Section 1. Section 53-1,104, Revised Statutes

- 2 Supplement, 1999, is amended to read:
- 3 53-1,104. (1) Any licensee which sells or permits the
- 4 sale of any alcoholic liquor not authorized under the terms of such
- 5 license on the licensed premises or in connection with such
- 6 licensee's business or otherwise shall be subject to suspension,
- 7 cancellation, or revocation of such license by the commission.
- 8 (2) When an order suspending a retail license to sell
- 9 alcoholic liquor becomes final, the licensee may elect to pay a
- 10 cash penalty to the commission in lieu of suspending sales of
- 11 alcoholic liquor for the designated period if such election is not
- 12 prohibited by order of the commission. For Except as otherwise
- 13 provided in subsection (3) of this section, for the first such
- 14 suspension for any licensee, the penalty shall be fifty dollars per
- 15 day, and for + For a second or any subsequent suspension, the
- 16 penalty shall be one hundred dollars per day. 7 except that+
- 17 (3)(a) For a second suspension for violation of section
- 18 53-180 or 53-180.02 occurring within four years after the date of
- 19 the first suspension, the commission, in its discretion, may order
- 20 that the licensee be required to suspend sales of alcoholic liquor
- 21 for a period of time not to exceed forty-eight hours and that the
- 22 licensee may not elect to pay a cash penalty. The commission may
- 23 use the required suspension of sales of alcoholic liquor penalty
- 24 either alone or in conjunction with suspension periods for which
- 25 the licensee may elect to pay a cash penalty. For purposes of this
- 26 subsection, second suspension for violation of section 53-180 shall
- 27 include suspension for a violation of section 53-180.02 following
- 28 suspension for a violation of section 53-180 and second suspension

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1 for violation of section 53-180.02 shall include suspension for a

- 2 violation of section 53-180 following suspension for a violation of
- 3 section 53-180.02. 7 and
- 4 (b) For a third or subsequent suspension for violation of
- 5 section 53-180 or 53-180.02 occurring within four years after the
- 6 date of the first suspension, the commission, in its discretion,
- 7 may order that the licensee be required to suspend sales of
- 8 alcoholic liquor for a period of time not to exceed fifteen days
- 9 and that the licensee may not elect to pay a cash penalty. The
- 10 commission may use the required suspension of sales of alcoholic
- 11 liquor penalty either alone or in conjunction with suspension
- 12 periods for which the licensee may elect to pay a cash penalty.
- 13 For purposes of this subsection, third or subsequent suspension for
- 14 violation of section 53-180 shall include suspension for a
- 15 violation of section 53-180.02 following suspension for a violation
- 16 of section 53-180 and third or subsequent suspension for violation
- 17 of section 53-180.02 shall include suspension for a violation of
- 18 section 53-180 following suspension for a violation of section
- 19 53-180.02. and
- 20 (c) For a first suspension based upon a finding that a
- 21 licensee or an employee or agent of the licensee has been convicted
- 22 of possession of a gambling device on a licensee's premises in
- 23 violation of sections 28-1107 to 28-1111, the commission shall
- 24 order that the licensee be required to suspend sales of alcoholic
- 25 liquor for thirty days and that the licensee may not elect to pay a
- 26 cash penalty. For a second or subsequent suspension for such a
- 27 violation of sections 28-1107 to 28-1111 occurring within four
- 28 years after the date of the first suspension, the commission shall

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- 1 order that the license be canceled.
- 2 (4) For any licensee which has no violation for a period
- 3 of four years consecutively, any suspension shall be treated as a
- 4 new first suspension.
- 5 (5) The election provided for in this subsection (2) of
- 6 this section shall be filed with the commission in writing one week
- 7 before the suspension is ordered to commence and shall be
- 8 accompanied by payment in full of the sum required by this section.
- 9 If such election has not been received by the commission by the
- 10 close of business one week before the day such suspension is
- 11 ordered to commence, it shall be conclusively presumed that the
- 12 licensee has elected to close for the period of the suspension and
- 13 any election received later shall be absolutely void and the
- 14 payment made shall be returned to the licensee. The election shall
- 15 be made on a form prescribed by the commission. All funds received
- 16 under this section shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for
- 17 credit to the temporary school fund.
- 18 Sec. 2. Original section 53-1,104, Revised Statutes
- 19 Supplement, 1999, is repealed.